


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

 CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	24-534	Meeting:	December 23, 2024
	Agenda Item:	42	Roll Call:	[_____]
	Submitted by:	Cody Christensen, Development Services Director & Chris Johansen, Neighborhood Services Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Resolution approving amendments to the schedule of fees collected by the Neighborhood Services and Development Services Departments for commercial building permits, rental inspections, and rental property licensing.

SYNOPSIS:

The proposed updates will better offset City costs associated with commercial development and rental property inspection/licensing. The recommended updates will better align Des Moines' fees with the average of other communities. Updates will take effect February 1, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$525,000 – Estimated

Funding Source: Commercial Building Permit and Rental Inspection Program Revenues

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Des Moines' rental inspection and licensing fees have not been updated since 2016 and Des Moines' commercial building permit fees are some of the lowest in the area. The proposed changes will align Des Moines' commercial building permit fees with the area average.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: December 4, 2023

Roll Call Number: [23-1695](#)

Action: [Amendments](#) to Schedule of Fees for fees collected by the City's Development Services Department. ([Council Communication No. 23-544](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: August 22, 2016

Roll Call Number: [16-1423](#)

Action: Resolution approving amendments to the schedule of fees for fees imposed by Chapter 60, Housing Code. Moved by Moore. Carried 6-0. Absent: Hensley

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- Fees are anticipated to be reviewed annually and appropriate adjustments recommended to cover costs of services.

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